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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

SIR:

In the Office Action mailed on September 8, 2004 (the one-month response date for which is October 8, 2004), the Examiner required restriction/election as follow:

Restriction was required as between "Group I" of claims 1-11, 27-29, 35 and 36; "Group II" of claims 12-19, 30, 31 and 37; "Group III" of claims 20-23, 32, and 38-40; and "Group IV" of claims 24-26, 33 and 34.

Accordingly, Applicants elect without traverse Group I, which includes claims 1-11, 27-29, 35 and 36, according to the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable action on the merits.

While no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any additional fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. **A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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